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FROM OIC/RTC

E#09. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: PROTECTIVE SECURITY - CHANCERY ENTRANCE

REF: TUNIS 6049

1. TWO POSSIBLE TREATMENTS OF TUNIS CHANCERY ENTRANCE ARE DISCUSSED. STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTATION ARE OUTLINED.
  2. BULLET-PROOF GLASS DOORS PER REFTTEL NOT AVAILABLE BEIRUT. SUGGEST STATESIDE PROCUREMENT OF ENTRANCE PACKAGE INCLUDING DOORS, SIDE PANELS AND AUTOMATIC OPERATOR. OPERATOR AUTOMATIC LOCKING OPTION DESIRABLE TO PREVENT ENTRY WITHOUT MARINE ADMISSION. ENVISION FLOOR MAT SWITCH OR PHOTOCELL FOR AUTOMATIC EXIT FEATURE.
  3. DO NOT RECOMMEND INSTALLATION OF SOLENOID-OPERATED PLUNGERS AS LAYOUT ALLOWS INTRUDER GOOD CHANCE TO REACH DOOR BEFORE MARINE CAN REACT. PLUNGERS REQUIRE DOOR TO BE FULLY CLOSED. AUTOMATIC LOCKING OPTION PROVIDES FAR MORE SECURE FAIL-SAFE OPERATION.
  4. SWEET'S CATALOG INDICATES HORTON AUTOMATICS, INC., OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS (512) 884-6349 MIGHT BE SUITABLE
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SUPPLIER PROVIDING THEIR DOORS WILL ACCOMMODATE SUITABLE

GLASS. POST, OR POST ASSISTED BY RTC ENGINEER, CAN SUPPLY INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR SUPPLIER TO ENGINEER AND FURNISH COMPLETE PACKAGE.

5. AS CHEAPER ALTERNATIVE TO ABOVE, SUGGEST RSO AND POST CONSIDER SYSTEM SIMILAR TO THAT NOW IN OPERATION AT AMEMB AMMAN.

A. LEAVE PRESENT GLASS ENTRANCE DOORS AS IS.

B. CONSTRUCT WALL ON LEFT AS YOU ENTER EXTENDING FROM LOBBY FRONT WALL TO FRONT OF MARINE COUNTER.

C. CONSTRUCT WAIT HIGH MSG/RECEPTIONIST COUNTER FROM NEW LEFT WALL TO EXISTING RIGHT WALL. INCORPORATE BOILER-PLATE ARMOR.

D. ADD BULLET-PROOF GLASS FROM COUNTER TOP TO CEILING. BEIRUT SUPPLIERS OBTAIN SUITABLE LAMINATED ONE-INCH THICK, 60 KILOGRAM PER SQUARE METER GLASS FROM TRIPLEX, LONGJUMEAU, FRANCE. THIS GLASS, COMMONLY USED FOR BANK TELLER WINDOWS, SHOULD BE AVAILABLE ON SPECIAL ORDER VIA TUNIS SUPPLIER.

6. PARA 5 MEASURES PROVIDE ENCLOSED ENTRYWAY. VISITORS ARE ADMITTED THROUGH MSG-CONTROLLED DOOR IN LEFT WALL AND RECEIVED AT INTERIOR COUNTER. MSG IS PROTECTED AND HAS AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO SCRUTINIZE VISITOR BEFORE ADMISSION, AND HAS ADEQUATE TIME TO GET DOOR OPEN FOR EMPLOYEES SO AS NOT TO DELAY NORMAL TRAFFIC. GLASS CAN BE PROVIDED WITH SPEAKING HOLE AND COUNTER WITH PASS SLOT FOR RECEPTION OF MESSENGERS, ETC., WHO DO NOT REQUIRE FULL ADMISSION TO LOBBY. AUTOMATIC OPERATOR WITH MAT-SWITCH OPEN-FOR-EXIT FEATURE WOULD BE DESIRABLE ADDITION FOR DOOR IN LEFT WALL. BUFFUM

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